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JUVENILE DISPOSITION

TUCSON –The U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Arizona, announced that on September 19, 2005, a 14 year old juvenile from Sells, Arizona, was sentenced to 23 months of juvenile detention to be followed by 5 years of juvenile supervision, by United States District Judge John M. Roll, in Tucson.

The acts of juvenile delinquency to which the defendant pled guilty occurred on the Tohono O'Odham Indian Reservation on December 9, 2004. On that date, the juvenile took a .22 caliber rifle and fired a single shot at a school bus occupied by 17 children and the bus driver. The bullet crashed through the glass of the doors of the bus, spraying glass that hit several children seated nearby. The bullet lodged in the interior of the bus just above the head of the bus driver. The juvenile admitted that he had done so because he was upset with one of the occupants of the bus and in an effort to scare that person.

The juvenile had entered admissions to acts amounting to juvenile delinquency, namely Discharging a Firearm within a School Zone and six counts of Assault with a Deadly Weapon on August 22, 2005.

The disposition imposed translates into the juvenile being detained in a juvenile facility and then under juvenile supervision until the age of 21. Effectively, this is the maximum period of supervision since the juvenile could not have been supervised beyond the age of 21.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigations, the Tohono O'Odham Police Department.

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